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**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor(s): Hitoshi ISHIDA and Minoru SHIGA

For: "A SYSTEM FOR PUNCTUALLY SENDING AND RECEIVING SERIAL DATA  
AND A METHOD FOR SENDING AND RECEIVING THE SERIAL DATA"

Enclosed are:

- ☒ A specification consisting of thirty-nine (39) pages
- ☒ Twenty-two (22) sheet(s) formal drawings
- ☒ An assignment of the invention - \$40.00 recording fee
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- ☒ Certified copy of Priority Document(s)
- ☒ Executed Declaration (☒ Original ☐ Photocopy)
- ☐ Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)

- ☐ Other:
- ☐ Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee

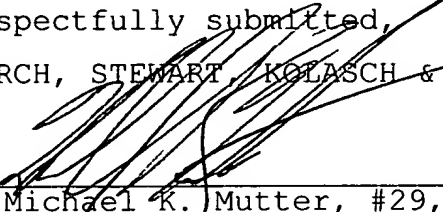
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Under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 119 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.55(a), the applicant(s) hereby claim(s) the right of priority based on the following application(s):

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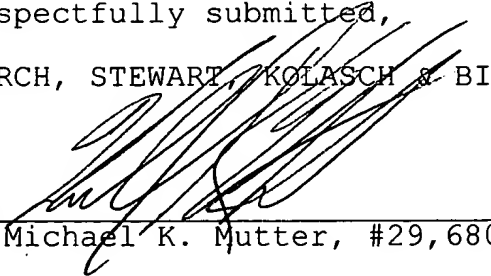
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